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History of Bethel.

By Dr. N. T. True.

CHAPTER VI.

Lieut. Segar thus continues his narrative:
After I returned home to my native town, and had recruited myself, I went to work until August, 1778, when men were called for to march to Rhode Island. I enlisted again in the militia for this service, and soon after, we marched to Rhode Island, and the next day after our arrival, we marched toward the enemy, where we remained some time.

While we were stationed here, we had the most severe storm of wind and rain, that ever I had experienced in my life, at this season of the year. Many men died through fatigue, and drinking cold water, and severity of this cold storm. Many horses likewise died in the storm. There were not half barracks enough to receive the troops, and shelter them from the storm. We were unable to secure our cartridges from the wet, and they spoiled. However, we soon drew more, and were prepared for action, should we be called to it.

Soon after, we marched nearer to Newport. The British troops were at this time in possession of it. Our army made a stand here for several months, and made great preparations for battle, and for winter quarters, but, on a sudden, we were ordered to retreat from the Island. The enemy being informed of our design, closely pursued us; but we did not experience much injury in the retreat from the Island. After some days, we left the Island, and retreated about six or seven miles, to a place called Fall River. Here we kept guard till the first of January, 1779. At this time I was again discharged from the public service of my beloved country; and returned once more to Newton, and into the bosom of my friends with great joy, after a fatiguing campaign. Here I tarried till the spring of this year.

I was one year and eight months, that is, in the year 1775 and 1776, in the continental service; six months in the militia in the year 1777, when Gen. Burgoyne and his army were made prisoners by General Gates; and I was five months in the militia, at Rhode Island, in the year 1778. I was also in the militia two months, at Boston, but do not recollect the time when. The whole time I was in the public service of my country, was two years and nine months.

In the spring of the year 1779, I concluded to set out again for Sudbury Canada [Bethel], where I had been the year before the American Revolutionary War commenced. I went in company with my friend, Mr. Jonathan Bartlett. We carried kettles with us to make sugar. The remainder of the season, after we had made several hundred weight of sugar, we spent in clearing land, with a view to make us farms, and to make a permanent settlement in this place. In the fall of this year, we returned to our friends at Newton, where we tarried through the winter.

In the spring of the year 1780, I set out again with my friend Bartlett, and also Mr. Thaddeus Bartlett and a boy by the name of Aaron Barton, for Bethel. When we had arrived here, we employed ourselves in making sugar, and then in clearing and working upon our land. We had very good crops of corn, and other things. In the fall, we concluded to spend the winter in this place, which we did. The Indians here appeared very friendly towards us. They em-

played themselves in hunting; and we could barter with them, for corn and sugar, and for which we received wild meat, tallow, and fur; and hence we lived quietly and comfortably with them. We labored to live in good friendship. However, we had many difficulties to encounter, as is always the case in settling new countries. We had no roads; we went by marked trees, and hauled in our necessities on hand-sleighs. We had no neighbors settled near us; and there being but very few families in this place, it was for our interest and safety to cultivate peace and a good understanding with the savages of the wilderness.

There had been a Mill built in the upper part of the town, by Capt. Joseph Twitchell, one of the original proprietors of the town, which was about ten miles from where we had pitched; it was now out of order, and could not be repaired till another season. But to remedy this evil, we went to work and made us a little Hand-mill to grind our corn. We succeeded very well with our mill; and ground our corn in it till the next spring when the former mill was repaired. We all enjoyed good health during the winter.

There were only five families, at this time, that were settled in this part of the town, and not very near together viz. Mr. Samuel Ingalls, Mr. Jesse Dustin, Mr. John York, Mr. Amos Powers, and our family. In the upper part of the town, five families had settled, viz. Capt. Eleazer Twitchell, Benjamin Russell, Esq., Abraham Russell, Lieut. Jonathan Clark, and Mr. James Swan. The nearest of them was six miles, and some of them were ten or eleven miles distance from us; therefore, we could afford but little assistance to each other, should the Indians molest us in any part of the town.

In the spring of the year 1781, the Mill was repaired, and we concluded to reside here, and to call it our home. We, therefore, went to work in sugaring, and in clearing and tilling our land for farms and a crop, in high spirits, as the land was good, being much interval to the river.

The Indians were often in among us, and appeared very friendly. We sold them corn, and other things, for meat, fur, &c. In the first of this season, they appeared very friendly towards us, which helps to melt the snow and ice. On the 24th of April the snow was greatly diminished, and he conceived better hopes of finding out his house, by breaking the ice, which was six English feet thick, with iron bars; and observing the snow to be softer underneath the ice, he thrust down a long pole, and thought it touched the ground; but evening coming on, he proceeded no further. In the morning he, with his neighbors, went to work upon the snow, where they made another opening, which led them to the house they searched for; but finding no dead bodies in its ruins, they sought for the stable, which was about 240 feet distant, and having found it, they heard a cry of "help my dear brother!" Being greatly surprised, as well as encouraged by these words, they labored with all diligence till they had made a large hole through which Rochia's brother went down, where the sister, with an agonizing and feeble voice told him, "I have always trusted in God and you, that you would not forsake me." The other brother and the husband then went down, and found still alive the wife, her sister, and a daughter thirteen years old. These women they raised on their shoulders to men above, who pulled them up as it were from the grave, and carried them to a neighboring house. They were immediately put to bed, and gruel made and given to recover them. On recovering sufficiently to converse, they gave the following account.

In the morning of the 19th of March, we were in the stable, with a boy six years old, and a girl about thirteen. In the same stable were six goats, an ass, and five or six fowls. We were sheltering ourselves in a warm corner of the stable till the church bell should ring, intending to attend the service. The wife, wishing to go out of the stable to kindle a fire in the house for her husband, who was then clearing away the snow from the top thereof, perceived a mass of snow breaking down towards the east, on which she went back into the stable, shut the door, and told her sister of it. In less than three minutes they heard the roof break over their heads, and also part of the ceiling of the stable. The sister advised her to get into the rack and manger, which she did very carefully. The ass was tied to the manger, but got loose by kicking and struggling, and though it did not break the manger it threw down the little vessel, which the sister took up and used afterwards to hold the melted snow which served them for drink.

Very fortunately the manger was under the main prop of the stable, and thereby resisted the weight of the snow. The first care was to know what they had to eat; the sister said she had in her pocket fifteen white chestnuts; the children said they had breakfasted and should want no more that day. They remembered there were thirty or forty loaves in a place near the stable, and endeavored to get at them, but were not able. On this they called out for help as loudly as they possibly could, but were heard by no one. The sister came again to the manger, after she had tried in vain to come at the loaves, gave two chestnuts to the wife and eat two herself, and they drank some snow water. All this while the ass was very restless and continued kicking, and the goats bleated very much, but soon after they were buried they saw not one ray of light, nevertheless for about twenty days they had some notion of night and day, for when the fowls crowded they imagined it was break of day; but at last the fowls died.

Selected Tale.

AN IMMENSE SNOW AVALANCHE.

The events narrated below occurred March 19, 1755, and the particulars were published in the Philosophical Transactions, (London) a work found in the Boston Athenaeum, and from which we have made the following extract:—

"In the neighborhood of Demonte, as one descends through the upper valley of Stura, towards the middle of the mountain, there were some houses in a place called by the inhabitants Bergemolletto, which, on the 9th of March in the morning, (there being a great deal of snow) were entirely overwhelmed and ruined by two vast bodies of snow, that tumbled down from the upper Mountain. All the inhabitants were then in three houses, except one Joseph Rochia, a man of about fifty, who with his son, a lad of fifteen, were on the roof of the house, endeavoring to clear away the snow which had fallen for three preceding days without any intermission. A priest going by advised him to come down, having just before observed a body of snow tumbling not far distant from said Rochia's house, but which being not large had done no harm. The man got down from his house with great precipitation, and fled with his son, he knew not whither; but scarce had he got thirty or forty steps when his son fell down, on which looking back he saw his own house and those of neighbors covered with a high mountain of snow. He lifted up his son, and then reflecting that his wife, his sister, two of his children, and all his effects, were buried under this vast heap of snow, he feared away, but soon after recovering got safe to a friend's house. Two and twenty persons were buried under this vast mass of snow, which was sixty English feet in height, inasmuch that many men, who were ordered to give them all possible assistance, despaired of being able to do them the least service.

"After five days, Joseph Rochia, having recovered from his fright, got up on the snow with his son and two brothers of his wife, to try if they could find the exact place under which his house and stable were buried; but though many openings were made in the snow, they could not find the desired place. However, the month of April proving very hot, the snow beginning to soften, and indeed a great deal of it melted, this unfortunate man was again encouraged to use his best endeavor to recover the effects he had in his house, and to bury the remains of his family. He therefore made new openings in the snow, and threw into them quantities of earth, which helps to melt the snow and ice. On the 24th of April the snow was greatly diminished, and he conceived better hopes of finding out his house, by breaking the ice, which was six English feet thick, with iron bars; and observing the snow to be softer underneath the ice, he thrust down a long pole, and thought it touched the ground; but evening coming on, he proceeded no further. In the morning he, with his neighbors, went to work upon the snow, where they made another opening, which led them to the house they searched for; but finding no dead bodies in its ruins, they sought for the stable, which was about 240 feet distant, and having found it, they heard a cry of "help my dear brother!" Being greatly surprised, as well as encouraged by these words, they labored with all diligence till they had made a large hole through which Rochia's brother went down, where the sister, with an agonizing and feeble voice told him, "I have always trusted in God and you, that you would not forsake me." The other brother and the husband then went down, and found still alive the wife, her sister, and a daughter thirteen years old. These women they raised on their shoulders to men above, who pulled them up as it were from the grave, and carried them to a neighboring house. They were immediately put to bed, and gruel made and given to recover them. On recovering sufficiently to converse, they gave the following account.

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Grace Greenwood (Mrs. Lippincott) is lecturing before the young men of Ohio with great acceptance. Joan of Arc is her topic.

A couple were recently married in Rockland, Me., who had been married before, and had been divorced.

Truly "there is something in the word home, which wakes the kindest feelings of the heart."

How many sacred associations there are clustering around this little word. The heart's dearest objects loved parents, brothers and sisters, the happy days of our childhood—all are connected with it.

To the absent one, how much deep heart-felt interest does this word awaken. The thought that in a few more days or weeks he shall meet again the dear loved ones at home, gives him new courage to grapple yet a little longer with the world's fierce strife.

The home of my childhood! In fancy am I carried back to the hill side out, my dear father and mother are there, giving us those words of comfort and encouragement which only can fall from the lips of loving parents.

Love reigned supreme and happiness was ours.

But they have passed away. It was God's will and we are reconciled.

"With soft steps and hearts subdued and lowly, Leave them to their slumbers pure and holy, Weep not over heart strings crushed and riven, Mourn not for souls flown home to Heaven."

These loved ones have only gone before. We hope to follow. God grant that we may so live that at last Heaven may be our home forever.

LINA.

HOME.

FINDING FAULT WITH CHILDREN.

It is at times necessary to censure and to punish. But very much more may be done by encouraging children when they do well. Be, therefore, more careful to express your approbation of good conduct, than your disapprobation of bad. Nothing can more discourage a child than a spirit of incessant fault-finding, on the part of its parent. And hardly anything can exert a more injurious influence upon the disposition both of the parent and the child. There are two great motives influencing human actions; hope and fear. Both of these are at times necessary. But who would not prefer to have her child influenced to good conduct by the desire of pleasing, rather than by the fear of offending. If a mother never expresses her gratification when her children do well, and is always censuring them when she sees anything amiss, they are discouraged and unhappy. They feel it is useless to try to please. Their dispositions become hardened and soured by this ceaseless fretting; and at last, whether they do well or ill, they are equally found fault with, they relinquish all efforts to please, and become reckless of reproaches.

But let a mother approve of her child's conduct whenever she can. Let her show that his good behavior makes her sincerely happy. Let her reward him for his efforts to please, by smiles and affection. In this way she will cherish in her child's heart some of the noblest and most desirable feelings of our nature. She will cultivate in him an amiable disposition and a cheerful spirit. Your child has been, during the day, very pleasant and obedient. Just before putting him to sleep for the night, you take his hand and say, "My son, you have been a very good boy to day. It makes me very happy to see you so kind and obedient. God loves children who are dutiful to their parents, and He promises to make them happy." This approbation from his mother is, to him, a great reward. And when, with a more than ordinarily affectionate tone, you say, "Good night, my dear son," he leaves the room with his little heart full of feeling. And when he closes his eyes for sleep, he is happy, and resolves that he will always try to do his duty.—Home Magazine.

HOME.

New Book.—Harper & Brothers have just issued "The Laird of Norlaw," a new tale by the author of "Margaret Maitland."

Promise little and do much.

The Bethel Courier: A Home Paper.

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MAILED.
Mails close as follows:—
To Portland, 10 A. M.
To Island Pond, 4 P. M.

ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE OF TRAINS.
Morning train leaves Bethel for Portland at 7:15 A. M. Returning—arrives from Portland at 4:15 P. M.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.
Every Sabbath at 11 o'clock, A. M. and 1:30 P. M. in the following churches:—
First Congregationalist, Rev. Mr. Deane.
Second, Rev. Mr. GARDNER.
University, Rev. Mr. GARDNER.

MEETINGS FOR PRAYER.
Sundays at 6 o'clock, at the vestry.
Tuesdays, Thursdays, Prayers Meeting Saturday evenings.

EXHIBITION OF THE BETHEL LITERARY ASSOCIATION. Below we give the list of Exercises given by this Association at the Academy last evening.

PRAYER.

1. SALUTATORY. ORIGINAL.
Wilson Hammond, Bethel.
2. Eulogy towards Great Britain.—
CHASTE.

Forrest and T. Faxon, South Paris.
3. Emmett's Speech before Sentence of Death.

Henry B. Smith, Hanover.
4. Death Song of Oualissi. CARROLL.
Barker Holt, Bethel.

5. Extract from a Speech in Parliament. BERKE.

Alfred M. True, Bethel.

6. La Sonnia. VIRGINIA. R. M. MERRILL.

7. To Seneca Lake. PASCUAL.

Sadie M. True, Bethel.

8. Regular to the Roman Senate.—
ANNOUNCES.

Alfred H. Smith, Norway.

9. Against employing the Indians in War. FAY.

Robbie H. Gower, Bethel.

10. Reception of Montrose. A. G. WILSON.

Wilson Hammond, Bethel.

11. Duty of Literary Men in their Country. GARDNER.

Alfred M. True, Bethel.

12. The Death Penalty. V. H. WILSON.

W. H. Brown, Bethel.

13. Lord Byron to the Greeks.—
LITERATURE.

Luman W. Gower, Bethel.

14. Sportsman to the Boston Bays.—
ANNOUNCES.

William Hammond, Bethel.

15. Valued. ORIGINAL.

Alfred H. Smith, Norway.

These exercises of the Association are the result of a course of teaching in the Academy, and in their regular meetings during the present winter. They have thus laid the foundation for becoming good speakers and debaters. All dramatic attempts have been discarded, which too often are the reward of the greatest clown, and a merely despicable substitute. They are certainly entitled to much credit for their efforts, and in their exhibition last evening did honor to themselves.

MOUNT VERNON FUND.

The Ladies throughout the Nation are making a vigorous effort to purchase the Home and Tomb of Washington, from its present owner, and place it in the keeping of the "Ladies Mount Vernon Association of the Union," so that future generations may have the right to visit the last resting place of the Father of his Country, without trespassing on the rights of an individual.

The Ladies of Bethel have been called upon to pay a part of the debt of gratitude, which the Nation owes George Washington. The following list of subscribers to the Mount Vernon Fund, shows how the Ladies of Bethel have responded to the call of their patriotic sisters throughout the whole Nation.

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| Mrs. M. Mason. | Mrs. R. A. Frye. |
| R. A. Chapman. | Miss Agnes S. Hastings. |
| G. A. Hastings. | Mrs. John Hastings. |
| E. F. Chandler. | Miss Agnes M. Ayer. |
| J. C. Kinsell. | Mrs. A. G. Gower. |
| Eliza Chapman. | F. P. Chapman. |
| D. A. Twichell. | A. M. Smith. |
| F. S. Chapman. | Lucy S. Kimball. |
| Newton Swift. | Leonora Thompson. |
| S. F. Wilson. | O. H. Mason. |
| Gilman Chapman. | Dr. A. Twichell. |
| S. F. Wilson. | E. W. Back. |
| Mrs. J. A. Twichell. | Timothy Chapman. |
| Alfred Twichell. | Frances Burbank. |
| Miss Frances Bartlett. | D. Garland. |

ITEMS.

The startling fact was announced to the members of the New York Assembly at Albany on Friday, by Gen. Duryea, that the building they occupy is unsafe, and that at any moment the heavy iron roof of the Capitol might come crashing through the chamber. A thorough examination of the roof is to be made, and in the mean time the Assembly continue to sit under it.

Henry Jumpertz, who has been on trial at Chicago during the past ten days for the murder of Sophie Werner, whose remains were found in a barrel at the Hudson River Railroad depot, New York, about a year since, has been found guilty. His counsel has made application for a new trial.

A Washington dispatch gives the war debt of Washington Territory as \$1,500,000, which, with that of Oregon, makes a total of \$5,000,000, on account of Indian hostilities. The rule adopted by the House Committee on Military Affairs will reduce this sum to about one-half. The claims will not be acted upon by the present Congress.

Bridget Luddy, the girl who was shot by her employer, Henry Barnard, the pawnbroker, in third Avenue, New York, in mistake for a burglar, is recovering from her wounds.

The Newburyport Herald says that a young lady belonging in Ipswich was one day last week carried to the Insane Hospital at Worcester, a ravaging maniac. She had frequented the revival meetings held in that town, and become deeply interested in them.

Mrs. Mary Hartung, a young and handsome woman, tried at Albany for killing her husband with poison, has been convicted of murder. Her case excited great interest in the community.

Dr. Solomon Allen, of Westbrook, Me., while holding his horse on Monday evening, fell from the hay rack into the crib of the horse, breaking his neck. He was dead when found by his family.

The William and Mary College, at Williamsburg, Va., including the Library and Laboratory, was destroyed by fire 5th inst. The students all were insured \$25,000. It was the oldest institution in the country.

Schoolmaster John Tyler brings Aux. Cayes dates of Jan. 10. Her advances confirm previous reports that the inhabitants of Hayti are in favor of a Republican government, with General de President.

Five executions have, within six months, taken place by Lynch law in Pike county, Illinois. The last was of two brothers named Cryson, who were hanging up on the same tree. All desperadoes.

Ebenezer Eaton, assistant editor of the Danville, Vt., North Star, died in that town on Monday, Jan. 31, at the advanced age of 82 years. Editors do live to be old, sometimes.

The people of Bruce county, Canada West, are said to be in a very destitute and starving condition, owing to the almost total failure of the past year's crop.

Senator Fitch introduced a bill authorizing the government to use American iron for ships and public buildings, in lieu of other solid materials.

The Senate on Wednesday, confirmed the appointment of Samuel W. Black as Governor of Nebraska.

The steam frigate Minnesota sailed from China for Boston, Nov. 30.

By the piling way of a brick arch in the sugar house of J. B. Brown & Co., in Portland, on Thursday, two men were precipitated a distance of about sixty feet. One of them, Thomas Gately, was killed, and the other, Michael Mannehan, escaped with a crushed ankle and some severe bruises.

The Vanderbilt opposition line to California advertise the Northern Light to sail for Aspinwall 10th March, in connection with the Uncle Sam on the Pacific.

The number of births in New Jersey last year was 14,012, marriages 3883, and deaths 7932.

MARKET PRICES CURRENT.

CONNECTED WEEKLY FOR THE COUNTRY.

| | | | |
|--------------|---------------|------------|-------------|
| Flour | \$4.75 a 7.50 | Beef | 4 a 6 1-2 |
| Corn | 1.00 | Round Hogs | 8 a 9 |
| Rye | 92 a 1.00 | Hams | 7 a 8 |
| Oats | 45 | Chickens | 7 a 8 |
| Butter | 15 a 18 | Turkeys | 9 a 10 |
| Cheese | 8 a 12 | Bacon | 1.15 a 1.37 |
| Eggs | 16 | Wool | 29 a 50 |
| Apples | 1.50 a 2.00 | Walruskins | 50 a 1.00 |
| Dried Apples | 6 a 8 | Hay | 12.00 |
| Potatoes | 25 a 35 | Wood | 1.50 a 2.50 |

A CARD.

The undersigned tenders his thanks to the good people of Bethel and Shelburne for their unqualified sympathy, and politeness with which he was everywhere received in his recent visit among them; particularly Rev. Mr. Bart and wife.

Very truly they will receive their reward, as the Savior said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me." GEO. W. CHAPMAN.

Bethel, Feb. 10, 1859.

Marriages.

In this village, 1st inst., Mr. Newell Cook to Miss Emily M. Stewart, both of this place.

In Newbury, 5th inst., Hannah, wife of David Noyes, Rev. aged 70.

At South Paris, of consumption, Emma, wife of Col. R. T. Lurvey, 54.

Deaths.

In this town, 30th ult., Mary E., infant child of Benja Stevens.

In Newbury, 5th inst., Hannah, wife of David Noyes, Rev. aged 70.

ST. VALENTINE!

GRAND LEVEE!

THERE will be a SOCIAL.

Levee & Dance.

At Chandler's Hall, Bethel.

MONDAY EVE., FEB. 14.

To which all are invited to attend.

An attractive feature of the evening will be the presentation of a

LADIES' WATCH!!

To the person drawing the Prize Ticket—without extra charge.

A LADIES' GOLD PENCIL.

Will be presented, as a VALENTINE, to the lady presenting the most Liberty-bells to be awarded by a Committee of three disinterested persons, selected by the company.

MUSIC - SIX PIECES.

Tickets—\$1.00.

Feb. 11, 1859.

LECTURE!

WALTER WELLS, Esq.,

Of Portland,

Will deliver a lecture at the Vestry of the Congregational Church, on

Thursday Eve., Feb. 17.

Subject—A Day in India.

Admission 10 cts.

NOTICE.

THE Subscriber would give notice that he is prepared to Manufacture

DOORS AND SASHES.

Also—Curt and Wagon wheels sawed, and all kinds of

TURNING,

Done at reasonable prices.

Having given up the

Clover-seed Business.

The whole or a part of the Machinery used for that purpose is offered for sale.

ROSE A. RIPLEY.

Walker's Mills, Feb. 11, 1859.

JOE PRINTING

Of every description neatly executed at the

COURIER OFFICE,

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THE QUESTION IS

WHERE can I do the best? and it always comes up in the mind of those who are in want of

GROCERIES.

or any article of necessity, comfort, or convenience. This question can be satisfactorily answered at the Store formerly occupied by Freeman, Barker & Co., where can be found the best and largest assortment of

FLOUR

in the county. Also—a constant supply of FRESH MEAT.

and a complete assortment of choice Family Groceries and

CLOTHING.

Possessing facilities that cannot be surpassed, for the purchase of Flour, enabled us to sell at wholesale and retail prices that defy competition.

All articles purchased at this Store warranted to be of the first quality and give perfect satisfaction.

GEO. D. BLAKE, Agt.

1859. 20 OF 1859.

GREAT REDUCTION!

By special arrangements made with the Publishers of the following popular and well known Magazines, we are enabled to furnish them in connection with the Courier, at the following reduced rates:

One copy of the Courier and the Atlantic Monthly one year, \$2.00.
One copy of the Courier and Harper's Magazine, one year, \$3.00.
One copy of the Courier and Harper's Weekly, one year, \$4.75.
One copy of the Courier and Godey's Lady's Book, one year, \$3.00.
One copy of the Courier and Peterson's Magazine, one year, \$2.50.
One copy of the Courier and Arthur's Home Magazine, one year, \$2.50.

Payments to be made strictly in advance.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives, in Legislature assembled:

We, the undersigned, citizens of Bethel and vicinity, would respectfully represent, that the safety and convenience of the public requires that a bridge should be built across the Androscoggin river at a place known as Barker's Landing in Bethel, where the country road leading from Bethel to Newry crosses said river. Said Ferry is not passable for one or more weeks during and fall by reason of the ice. We would further represent that the said bridge will necessarily be an expensive structure, the width of said river at the aforementioned place, being about four hundred feet and said bridge will have to be built twenty-five feet above low water mark. We therefore pray you that we may be incorporated into a company under the name of the Androscoggin Bridge Company, for the purpose of building a Toll Bridge at the aforementioned place across said river, with all the rights and privileges granted to corporations of a like nature.

MORRIS MASON and 40 others.

Bethel, Jan. 7, 1859.

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives, Jan. 20, 1859.

On the Petition of Joseph H. Hall, Clerk of the Town of Bethel, to be appointed Clerk of the Town of Bethel, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That Joseph H. Hall, Clerk of the Town of Bethel, be appointed Clerk of the Town of Bethel, for the term of one year, commencing on the 1st day of February next, and continuing until the 1st day of February next following.

Read and adopted. Sent up for concurrence.

GEORGE W. WILSON, Clerk.

In Senate, Jan. 21, 1859.

Read and concurred.

JOSEPH H. HALL, Secretary.

A true copy—Attest.

JOSEPH H. HALL, Secretary of the Senate.

DAVIS & BRADLEY,

General Commission Merchants,

AND DEALERS IN

FLOUR AND CORN,

No. 17 Commercial St.,

(Opp. Portland Pier).

Portland, Me.

J. ALLEN DAVIS ROBERT BRADLEY

COMMERCIAL HOUSE,

CORNER WILLOW AND FINE STREETS,

Opposite the Old Custom House,

Portland, Me.

N. J. DAVIS, Proprietor.

INGENSOLES

Eating House!

77 Middle Street,

(Three doors west of Post Office).

PORTLAND, MAINE.

GREAT BARGAINS!!

SELLING off Goods cheaper than any other establishment in this vicinity! consisting of

BOOTS, SHOES,

Rubber Goods,

GROCERIES,

DRY GOODS!

CROCKERY & GLASS-WARE.

CONFECTIONERY,

HARD-WARE,

DRUGS & STATIONERY.

Also—just received—a fresh supply of NEW MOLASSES—superior quality, and a few barrels NEW OLEANS! and of which will be sold at prices when cannot fail to suit the purchaser.

All articles Warranted.

Please call and examine before purchasing.

F. S. CHANDLER.

Bethel, Feb. 3, 1859.

Wanted.

A FEW CORDS of good, dry, Hard Wood, in exchange for the "Courier." Apply at this office.

ALFRED TWICHELL,

Custom BOOT and SHOE

Manufacturer,

BETHEL HILL, ME.

SYSTEMS served up in—very much by

ALFRED TWICHELL,

Bethel Hill, Me.

Druggists & Apothecaries.

JAS. R. LUNT & CO.

108 Middle St., Portland,

DEALERS IN

CHOICE DRUGS AND CHEMICALS

Shoulder Braces,

Trusses, Abdominal Supporters,

and all the Popular

PATENT MEDICINES of the day.

Also—CIGARS of every Grade

and Brand.

Portland, Dec. 24, 1858.

WATCHES & JEWELRY

JOHN S. ABBOTT

DEALER IN

WATCHES AND JEWELRY

Of every description.

He is also fully prepared to put in perfect order all kinds of WATCHES & CLOCKS and warrant them,—also all kinds of JEWELRY repaired. New glass set in old Spectacle bows.

All Goods sold or work done by him will be warranted as he represents.

Old Gold and Silver taken in exchange.

Letter Engraving neatly executed.

Work done at short notice.

Bethel Hill, Dec. 10, 1858.

BRASS CLOCKS,

OF ALL KINDS;

Also—a good assortment of SILVER and PLATED SPOONS, FORKS, and

BETTER KNIVES,

Constantly on hand and for sale low, by

JOHN S. ABBOTT.

Bethel Hill, Dec. 17, 1858.

Stage Notice.

ALL STAGE will leave Bethel Tuesdays & Fridays, at 8 o'clock, A. M., for Newry, South Paris, Gorham, Letter B, and Errol, N. H., arriving at Errol at 6 P. M.

Returning—Leave Errol on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 6 A. M., for Bethel, arriving in Bethel at 10 o'clock.

N. B. All express orders will receive prompt attention. A. M. MERRILL, Proprietor.

Bethel, Dec. 17, 1858.

B. P. YOUNG,

DEALER IN

Boots & Shoes,

Would call the attention of his friends and the public to his Winter Stock.

His Goods are selected with great care, and he feels confident that he can furnish an Article equal to any in this section.

He also manufactures to measure, Women's, Men's and Children's Shoes.

Store in Chapman's Block.

Bethel Hill, Dec. 17, 1858.

KILLING AND CURING!

STRYCHNINE for KILLING FOXES, and PALEST MEDICINES for CURING POISON.

For sale by

J. S. ABBOTT.

Bethel Hill, Dec. 17, 1858.

Notice.

THE public are hereby cautioned against

harboring or trusting John Jackson, a Pauper of the Town of Newry, from and after this date, as the Town will pay no claims arising therefor, having made all suitable provisions for his support and maintenance with

Ruben E. Evans of Newry, aforesaid.

REINHARD MCKUSICK, Overseer of Poor.

ITHAL SMITH, of Newry.

Newry, Jan. 17, 1859.

THE AMERICAN

